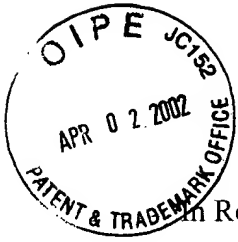


#6 A SC
4-10-02

PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Gregory Lindhorst et al.

Serial No.: 09/223,774

Filed: December 31, 1998

For: PAGE OBJECT MODEL

)
)
) Group Art Unit: 2176
)
) Examiner: TBD
)
) Atty Dkt.No. 03797.77995

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the application on the merits, please amend the specification as follows (a marked-up version is included in the attached appendix):

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 8-14 with the following:

RECEIVED
APR 05 2002
Technology Center 2100

A Sub B₁

--The present application is related to U.S. Serial No. 08/959,300, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Automatic Generation of Text and Computer-Executable Code", filed on October 28, 1997. Also, the present application is related to U.S. Serial No. 09/223,773, "A System for Converting Event-Driven Code into Serially Executed Code", filed on December 31, 1998; to U.S. Serial No. 09/223,558, entitled "Transporting Objects Between A Client and A Server", filed on December 31, 1998; and, to U.S. Serial No. 09/223,565, entitled "Drag and Drop Creation and Editing of A Page Incorporating Scripts", filed on December 31, 1998.--

Applicants believe that no fee is due, however, to the extent that fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any outstanding fees or credit any overpayments to our deposit account number 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

By: Step 1 48303
FOR Christopher R. Glembocki
Registration No. 38,800

BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD.
1001 G Street, N.W., 11th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20001
(202) 508-9100

Dated: April 1, 2002